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## PRESIDENT PATTEN CITES NEW FRONTIERS

### Homecoming Brings Them Home

The week end of October 26 again found the campus of Louisburg College lined with its alumni. The former students began coming in Thursday evening amid shouts of glee as they greeted old friends and met new ones. By Saturday morning more and more students had arrived, and had congregated on the campus talking among themselves about past days, when they were classmates and roommates.

The alumni banquet was held in the dining hall Saturday at 7:00 p.m. The credit of arranging as well as decorating the tables with beautiful bouquets of fall flowers belongs to Miss Stipe and her committee. The invocation was given by Dr. J. Marvin Culbreth; welcome by Mrs. B. B. Everett, the presiding officer; response by Mrs. H. T. Bartholemew. Peggy Von Canon entertained with vocal selections. Dr. Earnhardt, former president of Louisburg College, gave the address. President Walter Patten spoke briefly.

Immediately after the banquet there was a dance in the local Armory, Woody Hayes and his orchestra, of Raleigh, furnishing the music. Of the 594 people present, many spent the time socially, reliving old times until the close of the dance.

### Library Lights Up

New fluorescent lights were installed in the library, on October 16, replacing the former bulb-type fixtures.

Student and faculty satisfaction at this improvement in library facilities has been expressed in repeated instances, with an added comment once or more as to the much increased attraction to visit the library.

There are eight lights in all, four in the east room and four in the west room. Each unit is approximately three feet in length and one foot in diameter, having four fluorescent tubes which emit a white light similar to daylight.

### Now is the time to remember—

(a veteran speaks)

- that thoughts were born in moments of our wartime solitude,
- that we must exercise not only the freedom but also the self-discipline to plan our days so as to substantiate our motives and ideals,
- that we are not superior to other races of human beings,
- that those our brothers gave for us "the last full measure."

### Metamorphoses Enacted At Louisburg For GI's



Top pictures, left to right: (1) Students in chemistry section jam classroom on first days, before adjustment of numbers; (2) GI parking space on front campus suggests little vetville; (3) Pattie Julia Wright is again dormitory "for worthy girls." Lower pictures, left to right: (1) Storied front steps of Main become rendezvous for men students; (2) table shortage in crowded dining hall met by adaptation of hospital beds from Camp Butler; (3) Franklin second-floor porch, formerly enjoyed by Miss Stipe and her girls, invites GI's of Franklin Dorm.

### Veteran Housing Projected

President Patten has announced facts regarding the construction of the veteran housing units to be erected at Louisburg College. Two units have been purchased from Sebring, Florida. These units are now being torn down for immediate shipment to the College.

The erection program, contracted by H. C. Beck and contractors, calls for essential completion of these buildings by November 15, some details probably to be completed after that date.

The units consist of two separate buildings, one for married veterans and their wives and the second for single veterans. The building for married veterans is a two-story construction accommodating eight couples. It is equipped with the necessary lavatories and facilities for modern home comfort. The building for single veterans is a one-story construction likewise equipped with necessary facilities.

Fifteen house trailers have also been purchased from Jacksonville. The trailers are now ready to be pulled and placed at the rear of Main Building as soon as the necessary equipment and labor can be secured.

Louisburg is thus uniting efforts with other colleges to meet the needs of veterans in universities and colleges all over America.

To counteract the crowded conditions resulting from enormous enrollments of veterans in colleges, groups of temporary housing units have become a common sight on American campuses.

### New Members Join College Staff

Eight new members were added to the college faculty for the year.

**Dr. Blumenfeld**  
Dr. Anna Blumenfeld comes to the Department of Romance Languages and is teaching both French and Spanish. She has studied at Erlangen, Bonn, and Munich Universities. At the University of Munich she received her Ph.D. in Economics. She also studied at the London School of Economics. A certificate was awarded her at Geneva Post-Graduate Institute for Higher International Studies, Geneva, Switzerland. Miss Blumenfeld has traveled extensively in Europe and is a former official of the Permanent Central Opium Board of the League of Nations. She worked from 1941-1945 in the branch office of that board in Washington, D. C.

**Miss Johnson**  
Miss Elizabeth Johnson, who had a mathematics class of G. I.'s last spring, has joined the Department of Mathematics. She is an alumna of Louisburg College and has an A.B. and M.A. degree from the University of North Carolina. She has taught in Wadesboro, Thomasville, and Louisburg High Schools. She spent part of the summer at Toronto, Canada, while there attending the Chiropractic Convention.

**Mr. Rainwater**  
The Rev. Roland W. Rainwater, Jr., is the new dean of men. He is a graduate student of Louisburg College of the class of '38. He has an A.B. degree from Wofford College, Spartanburg, S. C., and B.D. degree from Duke Divinity School, Durham. During the war he was a member of the Naval Chaplaincy, from 1943-46. His assignments in this country were at William and Mary College, Williamsburg, Virginia; Naval Construction Training School, Camp Perry. (Continued on Page 3)

### Y's Effect Partial Merger

Recently, the YMCA and the YWCA have held joint meetings in an effort to combine their resources and their ideas. A number of the students on the campus have pledged their membership to the Y's. The officers for the YWCA are Francis Davis, president; Prudence Cobb, vice president; Helen Asque, secretary; and Sally Edmundson, treasurer. For the YMCA they are Carlton Blackman, president; Oliver Howell, vice president; Bradford Fearing, secretary; and Lenwood Sherlock, treasurer.

Several members of both the YMCA and the YWCA attended the World Student Service Fund Rally at Greensboro Oct. 12. Those attending the rally were Katie Blanton, Mary Jane Brown, Bettie Eason, Francis Davis, Carlton Blackman, Oliver Burton, Burt Smith, and Dean Rainwater, faculty sponsor.

Various types of programs are being planned for the year, including group participation programs and talks by guest speakers.

### Veterans Enrolled

The 208 veterans, including two WACS, enrolled in Louisburg College this semester garnered on the general intelligence test a median raw score of 117 as compared with the non-veterans' raw score of 114, as revealed by statistics released through the registrar, Mrs. Kilby.

The average age of the male student is approximately 21 1/4 years. Facts show that 195 veterans are from North Carolina while 13 hail from other states.

### Orientation Features Varied Events

#### President's Message

"The war frontier has been abandoned and left to time and nature to cover the scars and debris, but the college campus and classrooms furnish new frontiers," declared President Patten in his address at the formal college opening Wednesday morning, Sept. 11.

He challenged the students in the decided majority veterans, with the fact that they had chosen their own frontiers of attack, that they as students were in a one-man's army, being the general to issue the orders, the captain to relay the orders to the front line, and the soldier citizen to fulfill the command and achieve the victory.

"Enter upon these days of creative living," President Patten urged, "with faith in yourself, determined that a better world shall be established in all the far-flung frontiers of human living."

#### Arrivals Reveal Vets in Majority

The official orientation program of Louisburg College for the year of 1946-47 featured a three-day period of events. With this program came the new students' introduction to the Louisburg family.

Upon arrival September 10 students were directed to their respective rooms by the deans, Student Council officers, and members of the YMCA and the YWCA. Men students far outnumbered women students, and veterans were in the decided majority in the total.

#### Events on First Evening

A general assembly of all students was held in the auditorium at 7:00 p.m. The program included group singing; a Bible reading and prayer by Dr. Culbreth; a solo, "The Ninety-first Psalm" (James G. MacDermid) by Professor Moon, head of the Department of Education and Applied Arts; a welcome to the students by President Patten, emphasizing the cordiality of his feeling in greeting them.

An informal social followed. Students gathered on the steps of Main, where they were led in a period of group singing and other entertainment. Betsy Bobbitt at the microphone served as leader for the events. Various students were called upon to report to the microphone, where they entertained their audience with varied stunts and humor.

A meeting of all students with their respective deans followed, the men students with Dean Roland Rainwater, and the women students with Dean Lula May Stipe. Each dean presented to the respective group the rules and regulations by which college life was to be patterned.

#### Student Induction, Faculty Presentation

President Patten was the principal in the first general meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 11. He gave the call to worship. Dean Rainwater (Continued on Page 4)

### Surprises Galore: None Can Foretell

The tires of the Big E (my antiquated limousine) seemed to sing as I rolled along: "Louisburg, Louisburg, there ain't no burg like Louisburg." Happy as a baby with a new teddy bear, I whistled as we crawled along. A long journey for anything as old as the Big E! Ah, I thought of the radiant countenances of the fairer sex that had so abounded in recent years—the place was simply crawling with them—what a life! Oh, boy, graduate? Never! The lone Marine on

the Isle of Women faced almost the same problem as we.

Almost there now! "Ain't life grand!" Am I in for a surprise? Brother, wait and see.

The monstrous beast of burden came to a creaking halt, its job well done (wish I owned an oil well for my beast).

Then to my amazement my bewildered eyes see only one lone girl. Surely the girls must be here by now. What are all those fellows hanging around for? I wonder.

Slowly it began to dawn upon me. The GI's had landed. The armed forces had been merged and were now marshalling at Louisburg. The girls acted as hostesses—all that were here. Why only last year the place reeled with girls! Now of all things—men! more than enough for every girl—and were they having a field day! If it were possible to turn back the pages of time, surely I would; or, better still, enlarge the burg—make it like old times.

### It is time to remember to—

- (a non-veteran speaks)
- be willing to tackle any worthy task given me,
- live by the ideals of the institution of which I am a part,
- be a good sport,
- be a friend to all,
- take an active part in student organizations,
- live temperately,
- be broad-minded.